

# Fact Sheet

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## **US 51/WIS 29 Corridor Foxglove Road to Bridge Street**

WisDOT is reconstructing US 51/WIS 29 between Foxglove Road and Bridge Street. Improvements include reconstruction of the interchanges at Marathon County N and NN, Sherman Street, WIS 29, WIS 52 and Bridge Street along US 51, the interchange ramps to Stewart Avenue along WIS 29, and the overpass at Robin Lane.

### **Traffic impacts during 2008 construction season**

Traffic impacts during the 2008 construction season will require extended lane and ramp closures and will significantly impact traffic – especially during the early spring months. Motorists on US 51 and WIS 29 will encounter traffic reduced to one lane in each direction, ramp closures and detours. Lane and ramp closures will continue for several weeks, including weekends. Closures are necessary for construction of the new WIS 29 west bridge over US 51 in Wausau, near the Sherman Street interchange.

- The northbound off ramp from US 51 to Sherman Street will be closed for two weeks in mid-March.
- Traffic will be reduced to one lane in each direction on US 51/WIS 29 between County NN and WIS 52 from late March to late April.
- Eastbound and westbound WIS 29 will be detoured via County R and County NN from late March to late April.
- Crews will close Sherman Street under US 51 for approximately two weeks in early April.
- From late March to late April, the WIS 52 on ramp to southbound US 51 will be closed and detoured. The County NN on ramp to northbound US 51 will also be closed and detoured.
- 24th Avenue, at the intersection with Sherman Street will be closed for approximately two months in spring 2008 for intersection reconstruction.

Motorists can also expect the following:

- Crews expect to close Stewart Avenue under US 51 for approximately eight weeks in October and November 2008 for bridge pier construction.
- Periodic lane closures will be required on 28th Avenue, Sherman Street, and WIS 29/52.
- Short-term lane closures of US 51/WIS 29 during off-peak travel times (from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. and from 7 p.m. to 6 a.m.).
- Some overnight freeway and local road closures to facilitate bridge work.
- Periodic ramp closures and detours.

Motorists can learn more about the US 51/WIS 29 freeway improvement project by visiting the Web site at [www.5129wausau.com](http://www.5129wausau.com). They can also receive periodic construction information by clicking on the Web site's Traveler Assistance link and following instructions to receive e-mail updates. The updates relate to US 51/WIS 29 construction projects only.

